

It is with pleasure I record the defeat of Wm. Jennings Bryan in the recent election in Nebraska, with his beloved Prohibition dogma. When a Democrat wanders off after strange gods he ought to get left—and he generally does.

I note that the Navy League is suing Henry Ford for \$100,000 damages, on the ground that he has libeled that body. Mr. Ford may congratulate himself upon the paying popularity of his contribution to the gaiety of quick travel. The sum the League sues for would be a little embarrassing to the ordinary citizen if the courts insisted on his "making good."

Our Methodist friends, in general council assembled, have seen fit to rebuke President Wilson because wines are served at state dinners at the White House. And yet our good President may cite notable precedent. I read that wine was furnished and served in liberal quantity at a certain wedding feast by One whose name is a synonym for immaculate righteousness.

PRESIDENT HILL of the State University complains that there are no funds available for the school, because the politicians "get theirs" first and the schools have to take what is left. If anybody or anything has bled Missouri's State Treasury more persistently and regularly than the State University we should like to be cited. Continually and ever are the University crowd crying "More! More! More!"

ONE J. G. Wooley—you may recall his name when told he was former Prohibition candidate for President—Mr. Wooley has been lecturing the Methodist Conference at Saratoga Springs, N. Y. He wants the church to go into politics, and one must credit him for frankly stating a desire secretly held by too many of the brethren. He says that "candidates sought by churches cannot be attained by crowning the hills with temples; but that votes, organization and money are essential." In other words, the pulpit is powerless unless backed by the turmoil, excitement and violence of the hustings. If this be true, then indeed are we in bad case, the "temples" a useless incumbrance and Christianity a dismal failure. Who ever read of the Man of Nazareth seeking "votes and money" in aid of the propagation of his mission?

THE Bonne Terre Register tells of the local option in that section of St. Francois county:

The drinking and carousing in Bonne Terre go merrily on. A half dozen dives suspected of selling booze seem to be doing a thriving business. Automobile loads of men some of them known to be "rounders" from all over the Lead Belt terrorize the streets of the town and the road leading south almost every night. Citizens along Church street, the main entrance from the Lead Belt, are complaining that their sleep is disturbed every night by noisy, rowdy, car loads of people passing until early hours of the morning. There is a very evident effort on the part of somebody to make Bonne Terre the "goat" in the County fight against the saloon business. By some means the bootleggers have been cleaned out of other parts of the county and the "ragtag" of the whole district is venting itself on this large and helpless unincorporated town where we have no police protection. There is a strong feeling of resentment on the part of a majority of the people of this town against this intolerable condition but it is unorganized and has not yet taken a public stand for law and order.

Just read this item of news from Washington, D. C.:

A bill has been introduced in congress prohibiting the advertising of the sale of liquors. The house bill is known as H. R. 50, and the senate bill as S. 4429. It was introduced by Senator Bankhead, chairman of the committee on post offices and post roads of the senate. The bill is very stringent, providing a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment for not more than two years, or both, for the violation of its provisions. Particular attention is drawn to the bill at this time as several of the large cities have campaigns on in which the newspapers carrying "boozing ads" are being fought. Should this become a law, it would become effective immediately, and would not only prohibit the mailing of a "boozing ad," but even the printing and circulation of the picture of a brewery would be considered a violation of the act.

I used to think that for disregard of State and individual rights one had to search the legislative hearts of Puritanic Republicans grown to the soil of New England and Kansas; but these days for the penultimate of crankiness and intolerance the South transcends. The above is a fair sample of the spirit which may animate the so-called Democrat obsessed with a "moral" or "reform" craze. To gain an end he thinks desirable he is willing to sacrifice principles that should be an hundred times of greater value than the object sought to all men holding to the faith of the founders of the Republic. 'Tis strange; indeed, 'tis passing strange! Thank God, it's not Democratic!

This time is near when voters will decide whom they will choose to conduct Missouri's affairs the next four years. A man of experience was never more needed. A man with an intimate knowledge of the State's affairs is needed. This is no time to try an experiment just to tickle some man's ambition. The present Secretary of State has been tried and found true. The service he has rendered the State is a model of honesty, ef-

iciency, economy and intelligence. He has proved his qualifications to make good as chief executive. He is known all over the State, and his fitness is unquestioned. Missouri needs his technical knowledge and his services. He has not had the experience that would recommend him as president of a manufacturing business, but he is notably and indisputably equipped by training, nature, and inclination to make the kind of public servant Missouri needs as governor. Voters will be reluctant to reject the employment of such a man as he has demonstrated himself to be. His experience and training are what the State needs, rather than elevation of the wealthy and inexperienced in public service. The kind of statecraft Cornelius Roach possesses should be at the service of the State. If any other man is better fitted, then choose the other man. The State's welfare should outweigh all other considerations.

UNDER the heading, "Orthodoxy," Rev. Thomas B. Gregory in last Sunday's Republic, gives us a very interesting and instructive sermon. Asking, "what is orthodoxy?" he answers it is, mainly, "nothing in the world but prejudice." Continuing, he says: "It was orthodoxy that gave Socrates the fatal hemlock, that crucified Jesus of Nazareth, that knocked Hyacinth on the head and tore the flesh from her bones with cyster shells, that persecuted the 'God-intoxicated' Spinoza, that kindled the fire of religious persecution, that started the hell on earth that consumed a great many more human lives than will be sacrificed in the present great world war."

Rev. Gregory could have also noted the burning of Michael Servetus through the brotherly interposition of the saintly John Calvin who maintained that the orthodox reading was "The eternal Jesus Christ, the Son of God," against Servetus' heterodox rendition, "Jesus Christ, the son of the eternal God."

The sermon is consequent upon a row in the Presbyterian ranks because of the admission of three candidates into the ministry by an overwhelming vote, against the protests of the true blue.

It was demonstrated that they thoroughly believed in the fatherhood of God, the brotherhood of men, the beauty and necessity of Jesus' teachings as outlined in the gospels and tested in human experience, and that it was their sincere desire to do what they could to get their fellow-men to live up to those teachings. It developed that the candidates were non-orthodox enough to believe that Jesus had a father and mother like all the rest of us; that he was the son of God in the same sense that all other men are; that at death his "spirit returned to God" and his body to earth, as is the case with the rest of God's children, but, despite this fact, the candidates passed triumphantly through the ordeal.

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(St. Louis Post-Dispatch.) Did you get this point in the news account of Billy Sunday's Kansas City meeting of Friday night?

Following Sunday's plea for a big collection last night, the pews were sent down the aisles, and the total of the contribution was announced as \$4946.05. "Make it \$5000," urged Sunday, and the pews were passed again. They "made it" \$5175, which averaged more than 25 cents a head for the audience of 20,000. Considering the lightness of his "overhead" and moving expenses, Sunday seems to be out-circus-ing the circuses and backing the movies off the boards in the matter of profits.

Without regard to the sincerity of this ground-and-lofty pulpit acrobat and irrespective of the souls he saves, he is the most successful evangelist that has ever done business in this country. In point of fact, he is the foremost public entertainer in the country, measured by receipts. Charlie Chaplin runs a poor second, even though many people will prefer Charlie's 10-cent show on grounds of mere good taste.

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